

Please do not stop XM Satellite radio from broadcasting XM Instant Traffic and Weather. I travel from NJ to FL every other month or so. These services help a lot when I am on the road. It is very hard to find a local station between Baltimore and DC that gives the weather and road conditions. When they do, they rarely tell what city that they are in. If you don't know the local roads, you can't tell what they are trying to say and who it would apply to. When I turn on Baltimore or DC instant traffic /weather, I know what city it applies to. I do not use the traffic/weather reports when I am at home. It is broadcast on the news stations and the local stations all the time. Since I live here, I know what radio stations to turn into. In Baltimore and DC, I don't know what stations to turn to.

The NAB is wrong to assume that people with XM radio will cease to listen to local stations at home. When at home, people want to hear their local news as well as traffic and weather. They will usually turn to the local stations. I might listen to the traffic station to get up to date and then I turn back to the local. You can only listen to traffic and weather only for just so long. If I had my satellite radio on, I would be more likely to be listening to CNN rather than traffic and weather. That is a station that people will only listen to for 5 minutes.